

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY UPDATE Dam Incident, Twain Harte Dam Tuolumne County– August 3, 2014

UPDATE:

Per the California Department of Water Resources (DWR), Flood Operations Center (FOC):

- NO Imminent Failure at this time.
- Dam is a granite-earthen dam. Water is spilling out at the rate of a fire hose. Capacity is 143 ac-ft; dam is currently full.
- Dam Manager is requesting Inspector assistance.
- Downstream dam, Crystal Dam, appears to be able to handle increased inflows; FOC has been unable to contact dam operator.
- FOC has been in contact with Cal OES and the State Warning Center.

SITUATION:

At approximately 1015 hours, August 3, 2014 Dennis Wyckoff, with Twain Harte Lakes Association, reported a Dam Incident at Twain Harte Dam, Tuolumne County, to the California State Warning Center. The reporting person indicated that cracking and shaking were observed, loud boom sounds were heard and water was flowing through crack. He further indicated the reservoir had decreased by one inch.

- Initial notifications have been conducted by the California State Warning Center
- The National Weather Service has issued a Flash Flood Warning as a result of the incident. Flash Flood Warning in effect until 2245 hours this evening.
 - Locations impacted include Sullivan Creek and areas immediately adjacent to Sullivan Creek; including, portions of Belleview. The reservoir is just downstream of the Town of Twain Harte, which is not expected to be impacted.
- Cal OES Inland Region is making positive contact with Tuolumne County OES.
- Cal OES Inland Region is gathering initial situation status information; including, public safety impacts as well as impacts to the water supply.
- This is a vulnerable system Inland Region is tracking.
- Cal OES Inland REOC is monitoring the Incident.
- The SOC is monitoring the Incident.



This report will be updated as information becomes available.



Twain Harte Dam Location



Twain Harte 551 Dam



